GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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VILIFICATION CAMPAIGN BY PAK
NIVEDITA MANE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Government are aware of the sustained Misinformation and Vilification campaign launched by Pakistan on the Jammu and Kashmir issue; and

(b)if so, the steps taken by Government to counter the same?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a)&(b) Pakistan indulges in vicious anti India propaganda on a daily basis. A major part of this propaganda seeks to distort and spread misinformation on the situation in Jammu & Kashmir. Pakistan`s anti India propaganda is only a manifestation of its compulsive hostility against India. It is also an unsuccessful attempt to deflect the increasing international attention from its state sponsorship of terrorism in Jammu & Kashmir, and its support to extremist groups that subscribe to obscurantist and violent ideologies.
The international community`s strong appreciation of India`s credentials for peace and democracy, and its simultaneous acknowledgment of Pakistan`s sponsorship of cross border terrorism in Jammu & Kashmir and other parts of India, is a clear testimony of the failure of Pakistan`s anti India propaganda.